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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
6 EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

7 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

8 Plaintiff,

9 v.

10 RICHARD RONALD WELLS,

11 Defendant.

NO: 2:18-CR-0232-TOR-12

ORDER MODIFYING CONDITIONS  
OF RELEASE

12 BEFORE THE COURT is Defendant's Unopposed Motion to Modify  
13 Conditions of Release. ECF No. 254. The motion was submitted for consideration  
14 without oral argument. Having reviewed the record and the documents contained  
15 therein, the Court is fully informed.

16 On January 14, 2019, Defendant appeared in magistrate court for  
17 arraignment and entered a not guilty plea. At the hearing, the government did not  
18 seek Defendant's pretrial detention. Accordingly, Defendant was released to  
19 pretrial services under certain terms and conditions. Specifically, Special  
20 Condition No. 2 precludes Defendant from having contact with certain co-

1 Defendants, victims, and witnesses in this matter. Defendant now moves the Court  
2 to modify Special Condition No. 2 to allow him to have contact with witness  
3 William Main, his business partner in JOEL LLC, for the purpose of  
4 "...completing and bringing to market" a business transaction involving the  
5 construction and sale of "...16 loft-style apartments...in downtown Spokane." In  
6 support of his request, Defendant advises the Court that neither the government nor  
7 the U.S. Probation Office oppose his request. *See generally* ECF No. 116. The  
8 Court finds good cause to grant Defendant's motion.

9 **ACCORDINGLY, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

10 1. Defendant's Unopposed Motion to Modify Conditions of Release, ECF  
11 No. 254, is **GRANTED**. The Defendant shall remain released pursuant to the  
12 conditions of release previously imposed in this matter, ECF No. 116, except that  
13 Special Condition No. 2 is modified to allow Defendant to communicate with  
14 William Main for the sole purpose of the business transaction described above.

15 2. All other terms and conditions of release previously imposed by the  
16 Court remain in effect.

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1           **IT IS SO ORDERED.** The District Court Clerk is hereby directed to enter  
2 this Order and provide copies to counsel and the United States Probation Office

3           DATED February 21, 2019.



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6           THOMAS O. RICE  
7           Chief United States District Judge